

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Currently Amended) A multipole unit according to ~~claim 1~~, for a color picture tube comprising:  
a support tube, a retaining ring and at least one magnetic ring,  
wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached to the support tube, and a spring element is provided between the retaining ring and a stop on the outer circumference of the support tube, and wherein said spring element acts in axial direction and is integrated in the stop or the retaining ring, and  
wherein the spring element comprises at least one spring leg which is provided in outwardly protruding projections of the retaining ring and which is arranged radially.
4. (Currently Amended) A multipole unit according to ~~claim 2~~, for a color picture tube comprising:  
a support tube, a retaining ring and at least one magnetic ring,  
wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached to the support tube, and a spring element is provided between the retaining ring and a stop on the outer circumference of the support tube,

wherein said spring element acts in axial direction and is integrated in the stop or the retaining ring, and

wherein the spring element comprises at least one spring leg which is formed by an opening in the material of the retaining ring or the stop and which is provided with an axial extension or a portion of axially bent material at the free end thereof, and

wherein each spring leg of the spring element is provided in outwardly protruding projections of the retaining ring and is arranged radially.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. ~~A multipole unit according to claim 12,~~ for a color picture tube comprising:  
a support tube having a stop on an outer circumference thereof, a retaining ring, a spring element, and at least one magnetic ring.

wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached to the support tube, and the spring element is provided between the retaining ring and the stop on the outer circumference of the support tube,

wherein the spring element acts in axial direction and is integrated in one of the stop and the retaining ring, and

wherein the spring element comprises at least one spring leg which is provided in outwardly protruding projections of the retaining ring and which is arranged radially of the retaining ring.

15. ~~A multipole unit according to claim 13,~~ for a color picture tube comprising:

a support tube having a stop on an outer circumference thereof, a retaining ring, a spring element, and at least one magnetic ring,

wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached to the support tube, and the spring element is provided between the retaining ring and the stop on the outer circumference of the support tube,

wherein the spring element acts in axial direction and is integrated in one of the stop and the retaining ring,

wherein the spring element comprises at least one spring leg which is formed by an opening in the material of one of the retaining ring and the stop and which is provided with one of an axial extension and a portion of axially bent material at a free end thereof, and

wherein each spring leg of the spring element is provided in outwardly protruding projections of the retaining ring and is arranged radially of the retaining ring.

16. (Cancelled)
17. (Cancelled)
18. (Cancelled)
19. (Cancelled)
20. (Cancelled)
21. (Cancelled)